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WHAT JUDGE BOND SAID OF MYSELF

Following the announcement of the verdict in the trial of Hattie Le Blanc in the East Cambridge court today, Assistant District Attorney Wier walked up to the bench and talked with Judge Bond about further action in the murder case, in view of the discharge of Hattie Le Blanc and the allegations that had been made against Mrs. Lillian M. Glover, the widow of the murdered man.

"I think," said the assistant district attorney, "that in view of what has come out in this trial, Hattie Le Blanc should tell her story to the Grand Jury."

Judge Bond told Mr. Wier that as the matter stands now there is not enough evidence against Mrs. Glover to justify action against her. Judge Bond said to a reporter of the BOSTON AMERICAN for publication:

"They will have to get more evidence before they could do anything in the way of convicting Mrs. Glover of the murder. There is not enough evidence as the case stands now to convict her of the crime."

In view of this statement by Judge Bond the impression about the court house was that nothing further would be done toward clearing up the Glover murder.

Higgins' Statement.
District Attorney Higgins gave out this statement shortly after noon:
"The case of Commonwealth vs. Le Blanc is now closed, and the defendant has been acquitted. The exclusion of the dying statement of Clarence F. Glover that she had dropped the prosecution then and there, but it seemed my duty to go on."

After the verdict Judge Bond was requested to secure the attendance of Hattie Le Blanc before the Grand Jury with a view to inducing Mrs. Glover. He refused to do this and stated that the evidence which had appeared in this case against Mrs. Glover would not warrant the finding of an indictment against her; that if a jury should find her guilty on no more evidence than what has appeared against her in this case he would set the verdict aside.

Taft Head of Carnegie Fund.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—President Taft today announced to his cabinet the appointment of the Carnegie Research Foundation. The trustees chosen were John D. Rockefeller, of New York, as president, and Senator Elihu Root, of New York, as president.

The income of the \$10,000,000 fund, which will amount to at least \$200,000 a year, will be used for the purpose of peace projects of the world.

The transfer was made at a meeting in the rooms of the Carnegie Research Foundation. The trustees chosen were John D. Rockefeller, of New York, as president, and Senator Elihu Root, of New York, as president.

Thursday, Dec. 1, 352,864
Friday, Dec. 2, 361,546
Saturday, Dec. 3, 364,196
Monday, Dec. 5, 368,627
Tuesday, Dec. 6, 368,875
Wednesday, Dec. 7, 373,057
Thursday, Dec. 8, 376,175
Friday, Dec. 9, 376,500
Saturday, Dec. 10, 374,727

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ACQUITTED



Hattie Le Blanc, photographed on the left the last Cambridge Court today in the company of Mrs. Warwick, the widow of the man.

GIRL IS ACQUITTED OF DEATH CHARGE

Little Hattie Le Blanc, after a year's imprisonment in the East Cambridge Jail, charged with the murder of Clarence F. Glover, is free. The words that gave the girl-prisoner her liberty fell from the lips of the foreman of the jury in the East Cambridge Court at 11:18 o'clock to-day.

The jury had been out considering the evidence in the case, which had been on trial two weeks and three days; just an hour and thirty-three minutes. An unprecedented uproar—shouts of delight—followed the announcement of the verdict in the court room.

Just before the jury entered the hall they had been told that the verdict was "not guilty." "I didn't do it and I want to go to my home with my papa—my father," said the girl.

When the verdict was announced the girl was in a tremble with emotion. She rushed down her face. "Father! Father! M. Johnson, who made a brilliant defense for the girl, shook his head warmly.

"Thank God," exclaimed Hattie. "I have been taken home!"

The fall from the jury room (and at 11:14 o'clock) caused a court officer to be called. "Come, officers, there is a man in the street," he called. "The man in the street," he called. "The man in the street," he called.

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"I do not know now; for a few days I shall stay with my friends and then I shall go back with my father to my home in West Anichet."

"I thank the judge, the jury and my counsel, Mr. Johnson, to whom I am very grateful."

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SCHOONER SUNK IN COLLISION SENTENCE 'BIG BILL' TUESDAY

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Consumption—Father John's
Firemen Ask Raise.
Coal Strike Arbitration.

Hattie Le Blanc Happy Over Freedom, Thanks the Jury

"I am delighted with the verdict," said Hattie Le Blanc to newspaper reporters. "I am going home to spend Christmas with my mother and sisters."

"How did you feel, Hattie, while the jury was out deliberating?" she was asked.

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CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

For American Readers!

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BOSTON AMERICAN

**MRS. SHONTS HAS
TO PAY \$10,800**

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Mrs. Theodore P. Shubitz, belief that jewels she exchanged abroad were not valuable, has been sentenced by a Division of Collector Lusk to the effect that she must pay \$10,000 duty on the \$10,000 worth of goods she failed to declare on her trip from Europe.

Mrs. Shubitz is the widow of the president of the Interborough and Metropolitan Railroad Company.

Mrs. Shubitz was once the passenger who came to the New York Central and Erie Railroad.

Under the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, from Bremen, Chemnitz and Southampton. Soon after the first vessel it was announced that people would be estimated

Mrs. Shonts said that she was a champagne jeweler previously bought in Europe, and on which duty had been paid, for the jewels which she brought in and that when she made the exchange she had been assured that the goods could be brought into the country free of duty.

The surgeon's investigation showed that there was no concealment of the jewelry, and that the failure of Mrs. Shonts to declare it was not willful.

FIRST DANCE OF

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\$1.59

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\$1.59

1600 Pairs of Men's finest \$2 hand-sewed Romeos,

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1200 Pairs Men's \$2 Slippers, hand turned, this sale,

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Special for Boys' (Chinmas) mass produced—1,000 pairs of these beautiful hand-sewed \$3.50 Boys' Slippers—all leathers, fall of style and wear. This sale.

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AUDIENCE CHEERS AS LE BLANC VERDICT IS ANNOUNCED

ATTORNEY JOINSON, TOO, COMES IN FOR THE CHEERS OF THE CROWD.

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A witness in some other trial. Attorney Joinson was asked about it and said:

"No, the assistant district attorney has asked me within five minutes that nothing of that sort will be attempted."

Before discharging the jury Judge Bond addressed them as follows:

"This case has been long, unusually so. You have served well and faithfully, at some sacrifice, perhaps, of your personal interests. I am glad that your conduct has not resulted in the lines of any of your lives. I now excuse you from any further duty."

The jury left the courtroom at 11:22. After they had gone every thing in the courtroom was left in a state of confusion. The judge, said, "Let the jury go in a body. The court will not be discharged of this indictment and go free thereafter."

After the jury had left the room, Assistant District Attorney Wines and Judge Bond held a long discussion at the bench. Judge Bond appeared to be very forced in what he had to say to the lawyer. The discussion lasted ten minutes. During it the crowd began to leave the courtroom in ones.

Hattie went down to the sheriff's office and later again to the jail.

Crowd Surrounds Jail.

After Hattie had gone into the jail the crowd still hovered without. They could see her through the window and frequently cheered her. At noon the crowd was still there and several officers were busy keeping them in check.

At 11:45 Attorney Johnson returned to the court room and went to the bench where he had a few minutes' private conversation with Judge Bond.

At noon the jury were still in their room, according to reports. Miss Mary, the interpreter, telling Le Blanc and Mrs. Alton that they were still in the room at that point and shook hands with the juryman. The members of Hattie's family and the lawyers' friends were in the lobby when the verdict was announced. People rushed through the corridors shouting at the verdict, and so that Hattie's father, Abram Le Blanc, came to the door of the room and was instantly surrounded with a host of people who congratulated him. "Let's see you," was all he said after which he signed a right white his face was wreathed in smiles.

Albert Glover Satisfied.

Albert Glover said just after the verdict was announced: "The verdict is very satisfactory to me. For I have believed all along in the little girl's innocence. It is now up to the district attorney to find and prosecute the real murderer. If he does not take further action, my brothers and I will. We have evidence going back over some years time that my brother's life was threatened. I mention no names, but the evidence points one way."

Captain Peter King, connected with great happiness when he was asked about it. "The night's trial and everything," he said. "I was glad to talk about it."

Lillian Le Blanc said: "I am so happy that I can say nothing."

Attorney Jesse Morton said: "I am so

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ABRAM LE BLANC.
The hapless man in court when the verdict was announced. He is the father of Hattie Le Blanc.

came from all parts of the State and New England.

At 11:28 a crowd of curious drove up to the jail and the officers at the doorway were striving to admit it. At 12:30

the carriage came from the jail and drove toward second street. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Perry, a sister of Mrs. Johnson, were in the carriage with Hattie. Attorney Johnson said that Hattie would be taken to Mr. Johnson's home in Riverside street.

The crowd cheered again when the carriage drove out. Just before carriage left Abram Le Blanc came out of the jail. Mrs. Alton and Mrs. Arthur Glover were then admitted to a few minutes.

Crowd Waits for Verdict.

When Hattie made her statement to the jury, her father was in the courtroom, passing around the balcony. He was seated in the front of the jury box. The only member of his family in the courtroom at that time was his sister, Lillian, who sat directly across from him. On the same seat sat Captain Peter King and his daughter, Mrs. Mary King.

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their cost collars and waited the time away by reading newspapers and magazines. There were many women present.

Mrs. Glover, who sat about the court-house, was Attorney Emerson. There was a general feeling that the jury would not be long. The possibility of a verdict was discussed in all parts of the building. Most of the people went down to the room to be ready to go back in when the jury returned.

Le Blanc Family Gathers.

At 10:30 no word had been received from the jury who were still held in the room to which they were sent for their deliberations. Judge Bond was still in his room as were the attorneys for both sides in their rooms.

When the jury and some of the jury's minutes Attorney Morton and his associates gathered the members of the family into their room. It was not known why this was done.

One of the court officers in charge of the jury said that it was one of the most discreet ladies that he had ever guarded. He said that for the fact that he had seen in attendance upon them he had no doubt a single word in regard to the case mentioned.

Hattie Le Blanc and the Wainwrights, the mother, spent the time while the jury were out alone in the sheriff's office, on the first day of the court term.

Delay Makes Sister Weep.

Lillian Le Blanc, who was sitting in one of the front rows of spectators' seats with Mrs. Alton Hogue and Mrs. Hattie Le Blanc, in the court room, began to give money when the jury had been out some time. She began to cry a little and the two women with her comforted her.

At 11 o'clock the crowd in the corridors began to increase, but at that time no word had been received from the jury room. Hattie's father remained outside the court room and several others went to the street to be photographed. He told those that he met that he felt sure that Hattie would be acquitted.

The spectators, who hung in their seats in order to be present during the last scenes of the trial. They turned up

in the courtroom, speculated in ten times as to the proceedings at the juryroom.

The actions of other juries in New England under trials were discussed. The possible words of Hattie to her jury were dwelt upon. It was admitted that Hattie had hardly been surprised more than she some length of words.

Recalls "Ben Hur."

Some recall of "Ben Hur" recalled Captain Alton's appeal made by the mother of the when she and her daughter were found enclosed in a living tomb. The mother of Hattie, when asked who was in the tomb, replied: "In substance."

"A mother of Israel indignantly exclaimed here with her daughter. Help me, we are dying."

Lawyer, the mother, then went on to describe this sentence as remarkable as it was in other a detail, an expression and a prayer.

The court of "Ben Hur" in the court room made comparison of the appeal of Hattie's mother and the appeal of Hattie to her jury, when she said:

"I didn't do it. I want to go to my home with my papa—my father."

The speaker who was making this comparison said:

"Hattie's statement was a denial and a prayer; on there was no accusation."

Judge Resumes Charge.

Hattie was brought into the court room at the instance of a clerk. She looked rather tired about the eyes, either from lack of sleep or from weeping. She told Lawyer Tifts that she was kindly disappointed because she was not freed last night. He lawyers went over to her and she seemed to brighten, feeling that Hattie could get a great thing.

CHANGE IN TIME OF THE COLONIAL WILLIAM P. FALL
The trial of Hattie Le Blanc, which was scheduled for 10:30 a.m., was changed to 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, December 14, 1910. The trial is expected to continue until Friday, December 16, 1910. The trial is being held in the court room of the Boston City Hall, 100 State Street, Boston.

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Men's and Ladies' Shippers	1.50 to 3.00
Men's House Coats	5.00 to 15.00
Men's Bath Robes	2.75 to 15.00
Men's Lounging Robes	10.00 to 25.00
Men's Sets—Suspenders, Arm Bands and Garters to match	50c. to 1.00
Hose, Tie and Handkerchief to match	1.00 to 2.00
Hose and Tie to match	.75 to 1.50
Men's Neckwear	50c. to 3.00
Men's Initial Handkerchiefs	25c. to 1.00
Men's Suspenders	50c. to 3.00

Men's Mufflers	50c. to 10.00
Men's Hosiery	25c. to 2.50
Guaranteed Everwear	
Hose, 6 pairs	1.50 and 3.00
Men's Fur Gloves	5.00 to 25.00
Men's Caps	1.00 to 25.00
Men's Canes	1.00 to 20.00
Men's Leather Articles—Toilet Cases	2.00 to 15.00
Travelers' Clocks	1.50 to 18.00
Drinking Cups in Cases	50c. to 4.00
Ladies' Blanket Robes	3.95 to 8.00
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Ladies' Hand Bags	1.00 to 15.00
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MARY GARDEN TALKS OF BOSTON AND SONG

Mrs. Mary Garden, famed for her vocal gifts and her sinuous dancing, is to appear at the Boston Opera House this season and frankly admits that she is glad to reach the city where music is so well appreciated and the whole population has so appreciative ears. She is a very interesting woman. She has intellectually as well as ability to sing like a capital bird. When she talks about anything she is interesting, but most interesting of all when she talks about herself.

She had much to say when she depicted to give head to such a personal question.

"Mrs. Garden, what would you do if you couldn't sing?"

"Get married and raise children, of course. What a stupid question. But great artists and to be a singer is not a common thing. I can adapt myself to any situation, and be as happy poor as rich. Can't I, mamma?"

Mamma, who was looking extremely well and happy and young, did not, however, greatly resemble her magnificent daughter, gave silent assent. It is no doubt a family tradition that Mary Garden does not do anything she sets about.

"But at what age, pray, does one cease to sing?" asked Mary Garden in her turn, and the grave question was discussed in person. It was said that Mary Garden had sung beyond her years.

"Yes, yes," said Mary Garden, "but I was only a voice; I was a voice, a voice, a voice, when the voice goes, it is over."

Ten Works in Ten Years.

Mary Garden laughed. "But, let's see, how long have I been doing it? Well, in 1900 I made my debut and this is 1910. For ten years I have been singing, creating opera. How many, mamma?"

She counted on her jeweled fingers. "Ten," she said. "I have created in ten years, including my recital of 'Traviata' in the Metropolitan, and I have loved every minute of it."

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By ELIZABETH ELLIOTT.

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Mrs. William C. Loring is spending her home, No. 2 Gloucester street, today for the quarterly meeting of the women's society. Mrs. Loring is the society's secretary.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Rice and Miss Helen Rice have returned to their apartments at the Somerset after several days spent at their home in Ipswich.

Miss Annie Lyman has closed her villa in Westchester, N.Y., and has returned to her town house in Walnut street.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip S. Sargent and the Misses Sargent have returned to their home in New York City for the remainder of the season. Mrs. Sargent was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sargent, of the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Turner (Margaret S. Sargent), who spent last winter at Esplanade, Quebec, are this winter at the Chateau Frontenac, Quebec.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Walker Bennett are this winter at the Chateau Frontenac, Quebec. Mr. Bennett is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bennett, of the city.

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Women's Bath Robes Made like and similar to the illustrations at the left, from the finest all wool cloth, lined with fur, full sleeves with deep cuffs. Made from 74 inches long, large collar. Very popular for outdoor sports. Regular price \$12.00. Sale price, 3.98

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2.00 Muslin Skirts . 1.29
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COUNT DE BEAUFORT ON THE STAGE--What he does, how he looks and acts. He's not such a bad fellow, despite his record." says Kate Carew after interviewing him for the SUNDAY AMERICAN.

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DAN M'GANN, IS
SUICIDE IN HOTEL

RUSSELL GETS BOSTON NATIONAL CLUB TODAY

By SID WHIPPLE.
In a clear, statement, giving details of the transaction, Russell has contradicted the story of the sale of the Boston National Club as reported exclusively in the BOSTON AMERICAN over a week ago.
The statement, which the position taken by the AMERICAN throughout, and proved conclusively that this paper was the only one with the absolute inside facts.
Mr. Russell has purchased the club from the AMERICAN, and will take possession of the club today, and will be in control of the club from today on.
As soon as the great transfer of stock takes place, and the club is in the hands of the new owner, Mr. Russell will be in control of the club, and will be in control of the club from today on.
The statement also states that Mr. Russell will be in control of the club from today on, and will be in control of the club from today on.

American's Story Big Beat.
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RUSSELL CORROBORATES THE AMERICAN'S EXCLUSIVE STORY

THE BOSTON AMERICAN's exclusive story regarding the purchase of the Boston National Baseball Club by William Russell Russell and other Boston interests is corroborated in practically every detail by a statement made by Mr. Russell. The new owner of the "Doves" is in New York today to complete his contract with John P. Harris for the complete ownership of the club.
With a few days' publicity to-night, Mr. Russell and Lewis Chase, a Boston publisher, will control 1,000 shares of stock in the baseball company.
The official announcement bears out in almost every detail the AMERICAN'S story. Practically all of the newspaper writers treated the AMERICAN'S story as a "fake," but Mr. Russell's statement proves that the AMERICAN is right, and that it got the real news, when it is hot.
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TAYLOR PANS BASEBALL DEAL

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There is evidently perfect harmony between the American and National Leagues on this proposition, for it is understood that the American League season will open on April 12 next year. This date has been chosen to precede the 12th and the final Friday.
Not one trade has been put through so far at this gathering, although President J. Taylor of Boston, and President C. J. Nash of Detroit have had a conference, in which two batteries were discussed. Nash is after Bill Carrigan and Joe Wood, while Taylor wants to see some good catcher offered for Bill, a pitcher that looks good for Joe, and then some, possibly a man who can play first base. This is the only thing hanging fire, and it has not yet been settled.

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DE J. BLACKMER, 1000 Broadway, New York City, is a specialist in the treatment of all diseases of the male system, and will be in control of the club from today on.

A Continued Picture Drama of Love and
Hate, with a Thrill in Its Every Picture



grabbing the feathered head—the brow of the spurious red de reveals Desperate Desmond unshaken gaze of Uncle Sam's. Will the sailor lads hang at the yard arm? If they do pictures of the execution in terror.

Lysander John's Prospects

By FRANCES L. GARSIDE

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Christmas Puddings

There have been times, but none more than now, when we are not so sure of Christmas. It is not for me, for sure, but I have a new view on the season and its meaning and I am sure that you and I will find it. I am sure that you and I will find it. I am sure that you and I will find it.

A New Series of Prince Florizel's Adventures in "New Arabian Nights," by ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON

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NE DOSE ENDS INDIGESTION, GAS,

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"What Can an Old Man Do?"

A Reader Asks

For One Thing, He Can Well Be Glad That He Is Old

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In the life of an old man, what is there left worth while?

What is the use of living when you can't do the things that you would like to do?

What is the use of thinking when you know that thinking does no good, but simply takes you round and round in a circle?

What is the use of speculating when you know that speculation leads nowhere?

These are some of the questions from one who signs himself "An Old Man" in a letter sent to this newspaper.

Here is the letter, condensed:

To the Editor of the Boston American:

Dear Sir—I read your editorials sometimes—one must do something. I don't know whether they are written by an old man or a young man, but I should say by a very young man, as they usually have a hopeful sound. You are liberal with advice. What advice would you give me?

I am old—that is to say, beyond sixty. I am fairly well off; I can have what I want to eat, and to wear, can stay where I am, or travel. I have plenty of time for thought, speculation and amusement.

But what is the use of thought? It simply takes you round and round in a circle. What is the use of speculation that leads nowhere? What is the use of travel, when you realize that you are fettered for a few years more to a little ball of earth, and that it doesn't matter to what particular part of its surface you stick?

Old men are advised to take exercise, but it is humiliating to take exercise when your elbows and your knees creak like an old barn door, and when you can do nothing well. Old men are told that they ought to be occupied with intellectual problems. But a man of sixty who hasn't found out that his intellect is powerless has found out very little.

Is there anything really worth while, except youth with its enthusiasm, excitement and intense pleasures? And is not the man a fool who goes on living, beyond middle age, when he might get rid of it all and begin youth again in this world, or some other?

If you can minister to a mind diseased with old, dull boredom and sickness of life—advise me.

AN OLD MAN.

Our old friend is mistaken about himself, and everything else. Old age is not the dull time—it is the best time. It has a good deal of pleasure, with no responsibility. If your knees and elbows do creak when you exercise, what of it? Nobody cares, and you ought not to care.

It isn't true that thought leads nowhere. It has led to everything that we possess. We used to travel in an ox cart, and think that the earth was flat. Now we travel in a flying machine, and we see for ourselves that the earth is round. Thought led to these changes and many others.

Speculation DOES lead to something. It gives to the right kind of man the most intense pleasure of which the human being is capable.

You can be quite sure, to copy your Shakespearean adaptation, that our young gentleman, full of a mountain ballad to his mistress's eyebrow, never enjoyed himself so keenly as did Newton when he found that his mathematical calculations were coming out as he hoped, or Pasteur when he was successfully fighting disease, or Goethe finishing up his "Faust" when past seventy.

There is no real pleasure EXCEPT in speculation, and in the mind. All the rest is vanity.

The old are in a safe port, out of the storm and stress, and they ought to be glad of it. We recommend to this "Old Man" some lines recited by Thomas Fitch, a fine old Californian, at a dinner given to his friend, H. L. Horton. Mr. Fitch, who used to pick blackberries in Madison Square, New York City, and remembers the days when newspapers bragged of New York's three hundred thousand inhabitants, said he wouldn't be a boy again for one, and quoted:

Well, welcome tide of life, where no tumultuous billows roll,
How welcome to myself appears this halcyon calm of olden shore
The wearied bird blown o'er the deep would sooner quit its shore
Than I would cross again the gulf that time has brought me o'er.

Mr. Fitch is right and our correspondent is wrong. Old age is the welcome time of life. It's a foolish bird that starts back across the deep. And the man would be foolish who would go back over life's mistakes, troubles and worries. It is unusual who has not been a different kind of an idiot each year of his life. The man has a poor memory who can approve himself in the various years that have gone by. The old are lucky to be out of it all; out of the active, responsible part, and into the age of thought, of speculation and of peace.

This, of course, applies to old men—like the man who writes us—possessed of sufficient money to be independent and comfortable. It is otherwise, unfortunately, with thousands and millions of old men; those that have gray heads and empty pockets. When we speak of old age as the happy age, we do not refer to the men of old age that seek employment after dark, that white hairs may not be turned away. We do not refer to the old men of whom the barbers say that their only hair dye customers are old workmen, coming to get their hair dyed black so that they can find work. With poor and anxious old men, old age is like the closing days of an old horse turned out to die on the roadside. Pity the man whose last years are cursed with poverty and the knowledge that no one wants him!

But he whose efforts or good fortune have made him independent need not complain of old age. If his life has been pleasant, he can review it and enjoy it—his troubles, and gradually forgetting them. And if it has been unpleasant, he has the comfort of knowing that it is near its end, "that no life lasts forever, that dead men come back never, and even the wearied river winds somewhere safe to sea."

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Our Antediluvian Ancestors!

By F. OPPER

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"Stonehatchet, the barber, seems to be doing a rushing business!"

"You bet he is! Since he put in those two manures he's turning customers away!"

The Hallroom Boys

By H. A. MacGILL

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They're Making Dents in Their \$3,000 Roll



MAYOR FITZGERALD, the Character Amendments and Those "Progressive Policies"

During the last municipal campaign Mayor Fitzgerald promulgated a number of progressive municipal policies which he pledged himself to use his best efforts to make a part of the municipal and social institutions of Boston.

Some of them were good and important policies. All of them deserve his careful attention now, because he made them a part of the consideration which he offered to the voters for electing him Mayor.

Some of them are worth his best efforts, not as mere promises, but as propositions materially affecting the welfare of Boston.

The American hopes that Mayor Fitzgerald has not forgotten and can still repeat the important provisions of his platform. That none of these projected policies have been put into operation yet cannot be imputed to the Mayor as a fault, because they need legislative enactment, and the first real opportunity to obtain the assistance of the Legislature will not come until the General Court convenes next month.

There are, however, some developments of the past year concerning the operation of the new charter about which the people do not yet know Mayor Fitzgerald's opinion or intentions. During the mayoralty campaign it was difficult for anyone to have a clear view on the effect of some of the provisions of the new charter, and the Mayor, together with all other citizens, believed that all the features of the charter should have a fair trial.

One year has been sufficient trial for some of the provisions of this charter, and the American would like to tell Mayor Fitzgerald that certain of these provisions have not worked to the benefit of good government in Boston.

The attempt to divide with the Mayor the responsibility for the appointment of worthy subordinates and, worse than that, the giving to a body of strangers the oversight of the Mayor's appointments has been an unqualified failure.

Richard Olney, who was much interested in the creation of the new charter, and who is chief executive officer of the party which claims the principal authorship of the charter, declared very emphatically against the limitation of the Mayor's power of appointment. He said that he would not be Mayor if he could not select his own chief subordinates or heads of departments.

This provision of the charter has worked as Mr. Olney predicted. The Civil Service Commission, gentlemen of little personal importance themselves, contrived their authority with amazing liberality. They declined to give their reasons for the rejection of an appointee. Then they soon made it apparent that they had arrogated to themselves the privilege of inquiring into the motives which actuated the Mayor's selection in cases where it was clear that the appointee met the requirements of the charter for fitness.

If the commission did not approve of the motives which they surmised the Mayor had, then they assumed the power to reject the appointee.

This is a ridiculous situation and is capable of becoming intolerable.

One of the declarations of the Democratic party in its last convention was that the cities should have what the American has always fought for, a greater measure of home rule.

Boston is the city which has suffered most from partisan legislative meddling and always with immediate disaster to the Republican party which has done the meddling.

It is an open secret that the Republicans of Boston regret the interference of the Republican legislature in Boston's private affairs.

Mayor Fitzgerald would not argue a merely partisan objection to outside interference if he proposed that Boston be given a general right within certain limitations, to amend its own charter.

If Governor Foss should recommend in his inaugural address a general law under which the cities and towns might, without resort to the Legislature, incorporate and amend their charters, he would be carrying out one of the best declarations of his platform.

Does Mayor Fitzgerald tamely accept that anomaly in municipal self-government, the appointment of the head of the police department by an authority outside of, and generally hostile to, the city government?

If he does not, the American suggests that he petition the Legislature for a change which shall give the Mayor of Boston power to appoint the head of Boston's Police Department, and power to remove him at his pleasure.

The Mayor of Boston should have the power to appoint the heads of all departments of city government without supervision by any commission or any board—Civil Service or otherwise.

And these heads of departments should be kept in office only so long as they perform their duties acceptably to the people. The Mayor should have, not only the power of appointment, but the power of removal forthwith.

At present the hands and feet of the Mayor are tied by the over-ords of the Finance Commission and the Civil Service Commission. Civil Service rules and regulations should not apply to the heads of departments.

Could anything be more absurd than the appointment of any commissioner for a term of years—not because he is fitted for such place, but as a refuge for a worn-out political hack or a party favorite?

What private corporation or business enterprise in Boston, or anywhere else, would attempt to conduct its affairs in such a manner?

The Mayor has advocated a system of taxation which shall make the owners of undeveloped land in the thickly settled sections of the city begin at once to put this valuable land to some important use, or to pay the public for its loss on account of the withholding of the land from all beneficial use to the people.

The American calls the Mayor's attention to this subject, because this newspaper wants to encourage Mayor Fitzgerald to take up that work hopefully, by assuring him that the people of Boston having manifested their approval of his policies by electing him, are still interested to see them put into actual operation.

It is time to get busy.

T. E. Powers has drawn two of his funniest pictures for the Great City Life Section of the SUNDAY AMERICAN. "When the Wives' Union Goes Out on Strike" and "Christmas Shopping" would make a graven image laugh. Don't miss them.